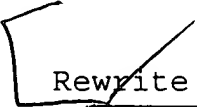


1 first and second mold cavity members mounted for relative
2 movement toward and away from one another in each cycle of
3 operation to close and open the mold, respectively, and


4 a central frame member in the form of an open rectangular
5 frame, with a top, a bottom, and first and second sides
6 interconnecting the top and the bottom, and through which at least
7 a portion of each of the first and second mold cavity members
8 extend to engage one another when the mold is closed;

9 a rotatable mold plate rotatably mounted on a central
10 pivot located between the top and bottom of the frame member,
11 wherein the rotatable mold plate has transverse dimensions across
12 it between the first and second sides of the frame member which are
13 substantially less than the distance across the opening between the
14 first and second sides of the frame member; and

15 wherein the rotatable mold plate is located between a
16 portion of each of the first and second mold cavity members for
17 engagement thereby when the mold is closed.--

18  Rewrite Claim 2 as follows:

19 --2. (amended) The injection mold according to Claim 1
20 wherein the rotatable mold plate rotates about an axis
21 perpendicular to the relative direction of movement of the first
22 and second mold cavity members toward and away from one another.--

23  Cancel Claim 3.

24 Rewrite Claim 4 to read as follows:
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1 ~~4.3~~ (amended) The injection mold according to Claim 2
2 wherein portions of the first and second mold cavity members extend
3 past the rotatable mold plate to directly engage one another
4 through the opening in the frame member on each side of the
5 rotatable mold plate when the mold is closed. --

6 ☒ Rewrite Claim 9 to read as follows:

7 ~~5.8~~ (amended) The injection mold according to Claim ~~17~~ 11
8 wherein the elongated members are toothbrushes with a head portion
9 and a handle portion, and wherein a first component of the two-
10 component toothbrush is used to form the head in a cavity in the
11 first mold cavity member and a corresponding cavity in the
12 rotatable mold plate, and to form a first component of the handle
13 in mating cavities between first portions of the first and second
14 mold cavity members extending through the central frame member,
15 whereupon opening of the mold by relative movement of the first and
16 second mold cavity members away from one another causes the central
17 frame member also to be located one-half the distance between the
18 first and second mold cavity members while rotating the rotatable
19 mold plate with the toothbrush head attached thereto 180° prior to
20 the next cycle of closure of the mold. --

21 ☒ Cancel Claim 12.

22 ☒ Rewrite Claims 13 and 14 to read as follows:

23 ~~13.11~~ (amended) The injection mold according to Claim ~~17~~ 11
24 wherein portions of the first and second mold cavity members extend
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past the rotatable mold plate to directly engage one another through the opening in the frame member on each side of the rotatable mold plate when the mold is closed.

12 ~~14~~. (amended) The injection mold according to Claim ~~17~~ wherein the rotatable mold plate has first and second faces and is rotated 180° in the central frame member each time the first and second mold cavity members are moved away from one another a predetermined maximum distance, whereupon each successive closure of the mold by movement of the first and second cavity members toward one another causes alternate ones of the first and second faces of the rotatable mold plate to engage corresponding portions of the first and second mold cavity members. --

Cancel Claim ~~16~~.

REMARKS

Claims 17, 2, 4 through 11 and 13 through 15 now appear in this application. Original independent Claim 1 has been canceled and replaced with new independent Claim 17. Claims 3, 12 and 16 have been canceled.

In view of the foregoing amendments to the claims, applicant respectfully submits that the number of claims now appearing in the application is less than the number originally filed, and that only one independent claim currently appears in the application. Consequently, no fees are required as a result of this response.

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